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March 27, 2008

The Honorable Sander Levin
Subcommittee on Trade
House Committee on Ways and Means
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The Honorable Wally Herger
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Dear Chairman Shaw and Ranking Member Levin:

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Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or need additional information on this request.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

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Reference: Suspension of Duty on Imported Acrylic Fiber

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Sincerely,

Charles E. Bolen

VP/General Manager



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Sincerely,

James Chesnutt

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Congressman, this is of great importance to me. Thank you.



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Congressman Charles Rangel
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National Spinning produces yarn, with offices in New York and manufacturing facilities in North Carolina. Our customers are located across the country and in export markets as well. Our company's primary raw material is acrylic fiber which at one time we were able to source exclusively from US sources. In 2005 our last domestic acrylic supplier, Solutia Inc., announced its exit from the acrylic fiber market as part of the company's reorganization plan. This was a serious blow to all U.S. textile manufacturers who used and continue to use acrylic raw materials.

When there was a robust US-based supply of acrylic fibers, duties protected US acrylic producers. Beginning in 2005 however, duties became a source of added cost to users--and protection for no one. Compounding Solutia's exit, 2005 marked the end of quotas for imported textiles and apparel. These two events resulted in decreased competitiveness for our company. Now in 2008, should we be forced to continue to absorb a six percent average duty on imported acrylic fibers, our industry will be forced to discontinue product lines and curtail manufacturing operations. The result will be the closure of dozens of US plants and the loss of jobs for thousands of workers across the country, ultimately weakening both our local and national economies.

I understand that Congress has provided the duty suspension process to remedy situations such as this. Lifting these duties in this case will allow our industry to retain jobs all along the supply chain and add value to our economy. Therefore, we urge your support for these bills.

February 14, 2008

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or need additional information on this request.

Thank you kindly for your consideration of this request. I wish you a successful 2008.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'H. Robert Miller', with a stylized, cursive script.

H. Robert Miller
Senior Vice President



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Sincerely,

Harry Wetmore
VP Market Development

April 8, 2008

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Thank you for your consideration of this request!

Sincerely,



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Glen Raven Custom Fabrics
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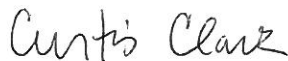
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I am writing to let you know of the National Council of Textile Organizations (NCTO) support of duty suspension legislation for acrylic fiber. Legislation to suspend the duty on acrylic fiber was introduced by Congressman Howard Coble on December 11, 2007, and the bill number is H.R. 4439.

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The U.S. textile industry is already facing tremendous market pressures due to the lifting of global textile and apparel quotas on January 1, 2005, as well as increased competition from China whose textile and apparel exports are expected to rise dramatically when the remaining quotas expire at the end of 2008. If our industry is forced to absorb duties on imported acrylic fibers, many of us will be unable to compete and will be forced to exit the market for our product lines that utilize these fibers. If this happens, dozens of plants and thousands of workers across the country will be adversely affected.

We understand that Congress has provided the duty suspension process to address situations such as this, and we strongly encourage a favorable report by the Committee on this bill.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

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Dear Chairman Levin and Ranking Member Herger:

I am writing to let you know of our company's support of duty suspension legislation for acrylic fiber. Legislation to suspend the duty on acrylic fiber was introduced by Congressman Howard Coble on December 11, 2007, and the bill number is H. R. 4439.

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The U.S. textile industry is already facing tremendous market pressures due to the lifting of global textile and apparel quotas on January 1, 2005, as well as increased competition from China whose textile and apparel exports are expected to rise dramatically when the remaining quotas expire at the end of 2008. If our industry is forced to continue to absorb a six percent average duty on imported acrylic fibers, many of us will be unable to compete and will be forced to exit the market for our product lines that utilize these fibers. If this happens, dozens of plants and thousands of workers across the country will be adversely affected.

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**Statement by Kaltex Fibers S.A. de C.V. to the
Subcommittee on Trade of the Committee on Ways & Means
Opposing Certain Duty Suspension Bills on Acrylic Fiber
(H.R. 4414, 4416, 4417, 4418, 4425, 4426, 4427, 4428,
4433, 4434, 4435, 4436, 4437, 4438, 4439, 4440, 4471, 4472,
4473, 4578, 4579, 5092, 5093, 5094 and 5190)**

April 10, 2008

This statement is submitted on behalf of Kaltex Fibers S.A. de C.V. ("Kaltex") in connection with the February 25, 2008 request for public comment by the Subcommittee on Trade of the Committee on Ways & Means regarding pending miscellaneous duty suspension bills. Kaltex wishes to take this opportunity to register its strong opposition to the following 25 pending duty suspension bills covering acrylic fiber (summarized below): H.R. 4414, 4416, 4417, 4418, 4425, 4426, 4427, 4428, 4433, 4434, 4435, 4436, 4437, 4438, 4439, 4440, 4471, 4472, 4473, 4578, 4579, 5092, 5093, 5094 and 5190.

At the same time, Kaltex wishes to note that it does not oppose certain other pending duty suspension bills (H.R. 4413, 4415 and 4419) whose scope is limited to modacrylic fiber not produced by Kaltex, so long as U.S. customs authorities can adequately administer the provisions (the distinctions between modacrylic fiber and acrylic fiber are not visually apparent and require chemical composition analysis). Also, Kaltex does not oppose certain other pending fiber bills (H.R. 2456, 4465, 4470, 4983 and 4984) which pertain to fiber precursors not manufactured by Kaltex.

Kaltex is the major North American producer of the acrylic fiber covered by the subject duty suspension bills. Kaltex has maintained major acrylic fiber manufacturing operations in Mexico since 1985, and recently completed a major expansion of its production facility in Altamira, Tamaulipas. Kaltex now has on stream an annual production capacity of 100,000 tons of acrylic tow, staple and top, whereas total U.S. demand in 2007 is estimated to have been only 46,500 tons (exclusive of 6,500 tons of modacrylic fiber and carbon fiber precursor not covered by the subject bills).

Kaltex has invested over \$200 million in its acrylic fiber manufacturing operations, including major investments in plant expansion, automation and the adoption of SNIA technology (making Kaltex one of the few companies worldwide that produces acrylic fiber in a continuous mode). Over the last two years, Kaltex has made \$40

million in new investments focused on product diversification for higher value-added acrylic fiber markets, such as those for producer dyed and solution dyed fiber, as well as additional plant expansion. These aggressive expansion and improvement programs have benefited the 650 workers at the company's manufacturing facility in Altamira as well as the over 3,200 residents of Altamira and neighboring Tampico and Madero in Tamaulipas.

Kaltex opposes the subject duty suspension bills for the following reasons:

First, there is no need for the identified 25 duty suspension bills. Adequate supplies of the specific types of acrylic fiber covered by these bills are readily available to U.S. textile producers from North American suppliers free of duty under the NAFTA. Kaltex, the principal North American manufacturer, is able to fully satisfy U.S. demand for each of the covered products in terms of volume, product quality, and timeliness of delivery.

Second, the bills would undermine the goal of preserving and promoting manufacturing in North America. The bills would eliminate the tariff preference North American acrylic fiber producers have heretofore benefited from by virtue of their NAFTA-eligible operations and, in so doing, seriously undermine the competitive position of Kaltex, the principal North American supplier. At the same time, the subject bills would give a "free ride" of unilateral duty-free treatment to Chinese, Japanese and European fiber manufacturers. Moreover, the bills would circumvent existing short supply petition procedures established under the NAFTA for textile products.

Finally, the 25 duty suspension bills carry an enormous budgetary cost. It is clear that many of these duty suspension provisions have been subdivided into multiple bills in an effort to keep the budget scoring estimate for each individual bill below the Ways & Means Committee's threshold of \$500,000 in annual duties foregone. Regardless of how many individual bills these provisions may be split into, there can be no denying that the bills together carry an enormous multi-million dollar budgetary cost.

To review, the bills of concern and their product scope are shown below (each bill would suspend the U.S. most-favored-nation (MFN) rates of duty through December 31, 2011):

H.R. 4414: Acrylic staple fiber containing at least 85% by weight of acrylonitrile units, not more than 2 to 3% water, imported in the form of raw white (undyed) staple crimped product with average fiber measure being 1.3 decitex 10% and fiber staple length of 38 mm 10% (provided for in subheading 5503.30.00)

H.R. 4416: Acrylic staple fiber composed of less than 85 percent but at least 35 percent by weight of acrylonitrile units, not more than 2 to 3 percent water, imported in the form of non-pigmented (ecru) staple crimped product with an average filament decitex of 1.9 (plus or minus 10 percent), and fiber staple length of 51 mm (plus or minus 10 percent) (provided for in subheading 5503.30.00)

H.R. 4417: Acrylic staple fiber containing at least 85% by weight of acrylonitrile units, not more than 2 to 3% water, imported in the form of raw white (undyed) staple crimped product with average fiber measure being 2.2 decitex 10% and fiber staple length of 38 mm 10% (provided for in subheading 5503.30.00)

H.R. 4418: Acrylic staple fiber containing at least 85% by weight of acrylonitrile units, not more than 2 to 3% water, imported in the form of raw white (undyed) staple crimped product with average fiber measure being 1.3 decitex 10% and fiber staple length of 38 mm 10% (provided for in subheading 5503.30.00)

H.R. 4425: Acrylic staple fiber (polyacrylonitrile staple) containing at least 85 percent by weight of acrylonitrile units, not more than 2 to 3 percent water, imported in the form of colored staple crimped product with an average filament decitex of 3.0 (plus or minus 10 percent), and fiber staple length of 48 mm (plus or minus 10 percent) (provided for in subheading 5503.30.00)

H.R. 4426: Acrylic staple fiber (polyacrylonitrile staple) containing at least 85 percent by weight of acrylonitrile units, not more than 2 to 3 percent water, imported in the form of colored staple crimped product with an average filament decitex of 2.2 (plus or minus 10 percent), and fiber staple length of 48 mm (plus or minus 10 percent) (provided for in subheading 5503.30.00)

H.R. 4427: Acrylic staple fiber (polyacrylonitrile staple) containing at least 85 percent by weight of acrylonitrile units, not more than 2 to 3 percent water, imported in the form of colored staple crimped product with an average filament decitex of 2.2 (plus or minus 10 percent), and fiber staple length of 45 mm (plus or minus 10 percent) (provided for in subheading 5503.30.00)

H.R. 4428: Acrylic staple fiber (polyacrylonitrile staple) containing at least 85 percent by weight of acrylonitrile units, not more than 2 to 3 percent water, imported in the form of non-pigmented (ecru) staple crimped product with an average filament decitex of 1.3 (plus or minus 10 percent), and fiber staple length of 40 mm (plus or minus 10 percent) (provided for in subheading 5503.30.00)

H.R. 4433: Acrylic fiber tow containing at least 85 per cent by weight of acrylonitrile units, not more than 2 to 3 per cent water, imported in the form of raw white (undyed) crimped filament tow with average fiber measure being 4.1decitex per filament +/- 10% with an aggregate filament measure in the tow bundle being between 660,000 and 1,200,000 decitex, and length greater than two meters (provided for in subheading 5501.30.00)

H.R. 4434: Acrylic fiber tow containing at least 85 per cent by weight of acrylonitrile units, not more than 2 to 3 per cent water, imported in the form of raw white (undyed) crimped filament tow with average filament measure being 2.2decitex per filament +/-10% with an aggregate filament measure in the tow bundle being between 660,000 and 1,200,000 decitex, and length greater than two meters (provided for in subheading 5501.30.00)

H.R. 4435: Acrylic fiber tow containing at least 85 per cent by weight of acrylonitrile units, not more than 2 to 3 per cent water, imported in the form of raw white (undyed) crimped filament product with average filament measure being 3.3 decitex per filament +/- 10% with an aggregate filament measure in the tow bundle being between 660,000 and 1,200,000 decitex, and length greater than 2 meters (provided for in subheading 5501.30.00)

H.R. 4436: Acrylic staple fiber containing at least 85 percent by weight of acrylonitrile units, not more than 2 to 3 per cent water, imported in the form of raw white (undyed) staple crimped product with average fiber measure being 1.1decitex +/- 10% and fiber staple length of 38mm +/-10% (provided for in subheading 5503.30.00)

H.R. 4437: Acrylic staple fiber (polyacrylonitrile staple) containing at least 85% by weight of acrylonitrile units, not more than 2 to 3% water, imported in the form of non-pigmented (ecru) staple crimped product with an average filament decitex of 2.2 (plus or minus 10%), and fiber staple length of 45 mm (plus or minus 10%) (provided for in subheading 5503.30.00)

H.R. 4438: Acrylic staple fiber (polyacrylonitrile staple) containing at least 85% by weight of acrylonitrile units, not more than 2 to 3% water, imported in the form of colored staple crimped product with an average filament decitex of 2.2 (plus or minus 10%), and fiber staple length of 50 mm (plus or minus 10%) (provided for in subheading 5503.30.00)

H.R. 4439: Synthetic filament tow: acrylic or modacrylic (provided for in subheading 5501.30.00)

H.R. 4440: Synthetic staple fibers not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning: acrylic or modacrylic (provided for in subheading 5503.30.00)

H.R. 4471: Acrylic staple fiber dyed (polyacrylonitrile staple), not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning, containing by weight a minimum of 92 percent polyacrylonitrile, not more than .01 percent zinc and from 2 to 8 percent water, imported in the form of staple fiber with a filament decitex of 4.0 decitex to 6.7 decitex (plus or minus 10 percent) with a fiber shrinkage of 0 to 22 percent (plus or minus 10 percent) and a cut fiber length of 100 mm to 135 mm with a target length of 120 mm (provided for in subheading 5503.30.00)

H.R. 4472: Acrylic staple fiber undyed (polyacrylonitrile staple) not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning, containing by weight a minimum of 92 percent polyacrylonitrile, not more than .01 percent zinc and from 2 to 8 percent water, imported in the form of staple fiber with a filament decitex of 4.0 decitex to 6.7 decitex (plus or minus 10 percent) with a fiber shrinkage of 0 to 22 percent (plus or minus 10 percent) and a cut fiber length of 89 mm to 140 mm with a target length of 115 mm (provided for in subheading 5503.30.00)

H.R. 4473: Acrylic staple fiber dyed (polyacrylonitrile staple), not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning, containing by weight a minimum of 92 percent polyacrylonitrile, not more than .01 percent zinc and from 2 to 8 percent water, imported in the form of staple fiber with a filament decitex of 4.0 decitex to 6.7 decitex (plus or minus 10 percent) with a fiber shrinkage of 0 to 22 percent (plus or minus 10 percent) and a cut fiber length of 100 mm to 135 mm with a target length of 120 mm (provided for in subheading 5503.30.00)

H.R. 4578: Acrylic staple fiber dyed (polyacrylonitrile staple), not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning, containing by weight a minimum of 92% polyacrylonitrile, not more than .01 percent zinc and from 2 to 8 percent water, imported in the form of staple fiber with a filament decitex of 4.0 decitex to 6.7 decitex (plus or minus 10 percent) with a fiber shrinkage of 0 to 22 percent (plus or minus 10 percent) and a cut fiber length of 89 to 140 with a target length of 115 mm (provided for in subheading 5503.30.00)

H.R. 4579: Acrylic staple fiber undyed (polyacrylonitrile staple), not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning, containing by weight a minimum of 92% polyacrylonitrile, not more than .01 percent zinc and from 2 to 8 percent water, imported in the form of staple fiber with a filament decitex of 4.0 decitex to 6.7 decitex (plus or minus 10 percent) with a fiber shrinkage of 0 to 22 percent

(plus or minus 10 percent) and a cut fiber length of 100 mm to 135 mm with a target length of 120 mm (provided for in subheading 5503.30.00)

H.R. 5092: Acrylic or modacrylic staple fibers, not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning (extends existing 3.7% temporary duty reduction)

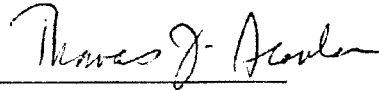
H.R. 5093: Acrylic or modacrylic filament tow (extends existing 6.8% temporary duty reduction)

H.R. 5094: Acrylic or modacrylic staple fibers, carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning (extends existing duty suspension)

H.R. 5190: Acrylic fiber tow containing at least 85 percent by weight of acrylonitrile units, containing a minimum of 35 percent water, imported in the form of raw white (undyed) filament with an average filament measure between 2 and 5 decitex per filament, and length greater than 2 meters (provided for in subheading 5501.30.00)

We appreciate this opportunity to share Kaltex's concerns regarding these 25 duty suspension bills with the Ways & Means Trade Subcommittee. Please feel free to contact us if the Subcommittee has any questions regarding our position on this matter.

Respectfully submitted,



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